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For: KAOLIN PIGMENT HAVING HIGH	)	
BRIGHTNES AND NARROW	)	
PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION	)	
AND METHOD OF	)	
PREPARATION THEREFOR	)	

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the above-referenced application.

The above-identified patent application is being filed after June 30, 2003, and as indicated at 1276 OG 55, submission of U.S. published patent application and issued patent copies is not required with this Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initial*	Document Number	Issue Date	Name	Class	Sub Class	Filing Date If Appropriate
	5,522,924	6/4/1996	Pope et al.			
	5,112,782	5/12/1992	Brown et al.			
	5,624,488	4/29/1997	Forbus et al.			
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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Document Number	Publication Date	Country	Class	Sub Class	Translation Yes or No

## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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